21 April 1954

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT:

Names for CIA Medals

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Nemorandum for Director of Central Intelligence from Chairman, CIA Career Service Board, Subject: Staff Study "CIA Honor Awards Board" dated 29 January 1954

l. As directed, the Henor Awards Board has reconsidered its proposed names for additional Agency decorations. The names shown below are forwarded for your approval and have been selected to agree in general with terms that are familiar to many members of the Agency. In addition to a recommended series of names, the Board is also submitting two alternate series for your consideration. These names have been presented informally to the Deputy Director who finds the presently recommended series acceptable to him. The table below shows the names originally proposed in the staff study of 29 January, the Board's first choice for names to replace those originally selected, as well as alternate choices for consideration in the event that the Board's recommended choice is deemed inappropriate.

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Original Recommendation	Present Recommendation	Alternate "A"	Alternate "B"
CIA Medal for Valor	Distinguished Intelligence Cross	Intelligence Cross	Central Intelligence Cross
CIA Expeptional Service Medal	Distinguished Intelligence Medal	Distinguished Intelligence Medal	Central Intelligence Medal
CIA Meritorious Service Medal (with Device for Valor)	Intelligence Star	Intelligence Valor Medal	Central Intelligence Star
CIA Meritorious Service Medal	Intelligence Medal of Merit	Intelligence Merit Medal	Medal of Merit

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